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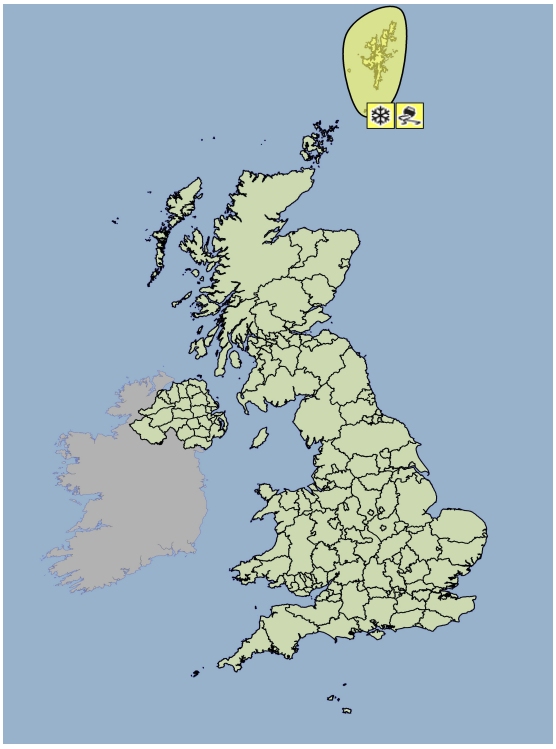

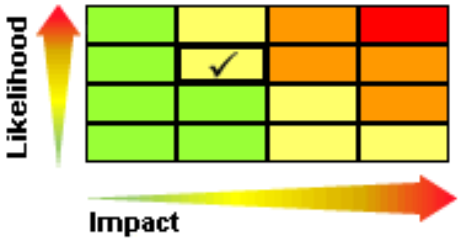

Chief Forecasters Assessment
An area of low pressure will remain close to Shetland overnight and on Thursday morning allowing a strong cold west to northwesterly airstream to develop. A slow-moving front on the western flank of this low will engage this cold air bringing outbreaks of sleet and snow, which may turn heavy at times. There will also be a risk of accretion on power lines and communication masts will be increased by the strengthening winds.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Snow and Ice**

Valid from **23:00 on Wed, 13th Jan 2016** until **12:00 on Thu, 14th Jan 2016**

Outbreaks of sleet and snow will affect many parts of Shetland at times overnight and during Thursday. Accumulations of snow generally 1 to 4 cm, but locally 5-10 cm over high ground, which this is less than was expected earlier. Coasts facing the strengthening west to northwesterly winds should see mostly slight slush deposits. Also ground temperatures will remain below freezing for much of the time leading to a risk of icy stretches on untreated surfaces.

Please be aware of difficult traveling conditions and possible disruption to transport and power supplies.

This is an update to reduce the impact level to low and thus from Amber to Yellow, whilst also including the risk of ice.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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